Killing of Informant Held Unrelated to Revelation by INS

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Investigators for the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service have completed their investigation of the murder of an informant whose home telephone number inadvertently was revealed at a deportation proceeding last year, a spokesman said yesterday.

The Washington Post reported last month that 17-year-old Lester Domonique—murdered outside his residence in Hyattsville on Jan. 18—was possibly the victim of a retaliation killing, according to an internal INS memorandum.

The one-inch thick INS investigative report concluded that Domonique's death was unrelated to the disclosure of his identity at a deportation hearing last November for an individual on whom Domonique provided information leading to his arrest. INS acting Commissioner David Crosland is reviewing the report to determine if disciplinary action will be taken against officials who failed to cross out Domonique's name at the hearing.

Prince eGorge's county police have arrested three suspects in the murder. Police said at the time that they believed the killing to be drug related.